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Announcement 1059

Urgent Announcement for Provider Type 29: Skilled Nursing Services Code Changes Effective January 1, 2016

The HCPCS codes used by provider type (PT) 29 (Home Health Agency) to bill for skilled nursing services have changed effective January 1, 2016.

HCPCS code G0154:

- Effective with dates of service on or after January 1, 2016, HCPCS code G0154 has been discontinued by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) and is no longer accepted by Nevada Medicaid for HHA – Services of RN, Each 15 Minutes.
- Claims for G0154 with dates of service on or after January 1, 2016, will deny. Previously submitted claims for G0154 with a date of service on or after January 1, 2016, that denied need to be resubmitted with the new code. This should be done after the provider has requested a data correction to change the prior authorization to the new code.
- Effective with dates of service on or after January 1, 2016, all prior authorization requests submitted by PT 29 agencies previously using G0154 will need to use code **G0299**.
- If you have an approved prior authorization for G0154 with dates of service including January 1, 2016, and greater, you will need to send a Prior Authorization Data Correction Form (FA-29) to Hewlett Packard Enterprise to request the January 1 and greater dates of service be changed to the G0299 code. An upcoming web announcement will provide detailed instructions.

HCPCS code T1003:

- Effective with dates of service on or after January 1, 2016, all prior authorization requests submitted by PT 29 agencies previously using T1003 must be submitted using code **G0300**.
- If your current authorization is under T1003, please bill code T1003 until the authorization expires.
- Code T1003 (LPN/LVN services) will be discontinued for PT 29 later this year when all current authorizations expire.

Please note: Claims for codes G0299 and G0300 will deny until the codes are updated in the system. Please submit your claims as usual even though they will deny. You do not need to resubmit the claims after they deny, because the affected claims will be automatically reprocessed. Providers will be notified in future web announcements when the codes are updated and will no longer deny, and when the claims will be reprocessed.

If the claim denials resulting from these changes create a financial hardship, PT 29 providers may request advance payments by sending an email to Hewlett Packard Enterprise at NevadaProviderTraining@hpe.com. Enter "Advance Payment Request/Financial Hardship" in the subject line and include in the email: the amount of the advance requested; the reason for the request; the provider's National Provider Identifier (NPI) under the PT 29 designation; and the provider's name, address and telephone number. Please allow several business days for the request to be processed.